

January 4-8, 2016
Kentucky Waterfowl Ground Counts

Several ground counts were not completed this week due to flooding. Ballard WMA remains closed. Our aerial surveys were flown across the state Monday and Tuesday, and that report is online as well.

Location	Number	Species Composition	Comments
Ballard WMA	No Count		Due to rising water, ground counts are not possible this week.
Barren River Lake	No Count		
Birdsville Island	No count		
Kentucky/Barkley Lakes	No Count		
Duck Island	No Count		
Boatwright WMA	No count		Due to rising water, ground counts are not possible this week.
Doug Travis WMA	No Count		Due to rising water, ground counts are not possible this week. Birds are using the WMA but getting an accurate count is not possible. Reminder- hunting ends at 2:00pm daily on the area and signed areas of DTWMA that are "closed" to all access.
Cave Run Lake	No count		
Clear Creek WMA	No Count		
Peabody WMA	No count		
Sloughs WMA	10,730 ducks 259 CA geese 10,190 WF geese 7,000 Snows Swans 8	90% mallards, 10% gadwall, shovelers, pintails, black ducks and ring-necks.	The Ohio River has fallen 10 feet since it crested on New Year's Day. While water levels have begun to recede throughout the area, the pool level

			<p>within most managed impoundment is still above normal. Ducks continue to be concentrated on recently flooded areas of moist soil vegetation with 3-8 inches of water depth. Large numbers of ducks were also observed along timber lines and in button-bush sloughs adjacent to Pond Creek. White-fronted geese are scattered between emergent wetlands next to Pond Creek and winter wheat fields.</p>
Yellowbank WMA	455 Ducks	85% mallard, 5% gadwall, 5% shoveler, 5% black duck, pintail, GW teal, and wood ducks.	All units are at maximum capacity.
Blue Grass Army Depot (all lakes and ponds)	173 ducks 10 CA Goose	72% mallards, 10% mergansers, 7% gadwall, 6% bufflehead, 5% black ducks	High water level on all moist soil units. Ice covering ponds and lake edges.
Herrington Lake	No waterfowl observed.		
Taylorsville Lake	193 Ducks 40 CA goose	50% Black Ducks, 46% Mallards	Lake is at winter pool and ice in shallows around Van Buren is melting fast. Majority of birds are being seen in main channel.
Cedar Cr./Dix R. WMA	No Count		
Green River WMA	No Count		